

FINAL APPROVED

VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Friday, April 1, 2011

**Department of Health Professions
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite #300**

Henrico, Virginia

CALL TO ORDER: A Panel of the Board was called to order at 12:03 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Ransone, M.D., Chair
Claudette Dalton, M.D.
Stuart Mackler, M.D.
Deeni Bassam, M.D.
Stephen Heretick, J.D.
Roderick Mathews, J.D.
Valerie Hoffman, D.C.

BOARD COUNSEL: Amy Marschean, Senior Assistant Attorney General

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Renée S. Dixon, Discipline Case Manager

COURT REPORTER: Cheri Thompson, Crane-Snead & Associates

**PARTIES ON BEHALF OF
COMMONWEALTH:** James Schliessmann, Assistant Attorney General
Virginia Scher, Adjudication Specialist

**WITNESSES FOR THE
COMMONWEALTH:** Stephen L. Robinson, Capt. MC, USN, Assistant Armed Forces
Medical Examiner
Pamela Kinchloe, Sr. Investigator, DHP
Sue Zich, Sr. Investigator, DHP
David Tsao, M.D.
Michela Tsao, L.P.N.

MATTER: **Dean Harris Woodard, M.D.** **License No.: 0101-041539**
Case No.: 129112, 131657

PRELIMINARY MATTERS: Counsel for Dr. Woodard presented a submission and requested that it be marked as an exhibit and entered into the record. Mr. Schliessmann noted no objections to the exhibit other than to note an objection on the timeliness of the submission.

RULING: The Chair overruled the objection by the Commonwealth. The exhibit was marked Respondent Exhibit A, and entered into the record.

DISCUSSION: Dr. Woodard appeared before the Board in person in accordance with the Board's Notice of Formal Hearing dated December 28, 2010. Dr. Woodard was represented by Robert Zelnick, Esquire.

The Board received evidence and sworn testimony from the witness called by the parties, and Dr. Woodard regarding the matters as set forth in the Statement of Particulars.

MOTIONS: During testimony of Ms. Tsao, Mr. Schliessmann presented a photograph of Patient A. Objections were noted by Mr. Zelnick on the basis that the photo's had no probative value.

RULING: Objections was overruled by the Chair, and the photographs were marked as Commonwealth Exhibit #7, and entered into the record.

The Commonwealth called rebuttal witness, Daniel D. Barks, Esquire, to address previous statements made regarding Patient #B.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Dr. Mackler, and duly seconded by Dr. Hoffman, the Board voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711.A (27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Woodard. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Marschean, Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Dixon attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board in its deliberations.

RECONVENE: Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Board re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Dr. Hoffman, and duly seconded by Mr. Heretick, the Board made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and voted to indefinitely suspend the license of Dr. Woodard for not less than two (2) years.

VOTE: The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

The decision shall be effective upon the entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusions, and decisions of this formal hearing panel.

Karen Ransone MD

Karen Ransone, M.D., Chair

2/23/12

Date

William L. Harp MD

William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

3/7/12

Date